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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller
SUBJECT: Inspector General's Survey of FMSAC

REFERENCE: (a) IG Survey of FMSAC
(b) 3 Feb 69 DD/S&T memo, same subject
(c) 28 March 69 ExDir-Compt memo, same subject

1. The Inspector General's Survey Recommendation 2a and the related Recommendation 3, noted in paragraph 1, reference (c) above: In my comments to you on the Survey, I explained that there were certain personnel maneuvers already underway relating to these recommendations. These maneuvers involved effecting the early retirement of the incumbent OSI editor and the subsequent procurement of a more competent replacement. My delay in responding was, therefore, occasioned by the necessity for the incumbent to find "suitable" outside employment. The first round of his efforts to this end have reached an unsuccessful conclusion. We are, therefore, now moving to transfer the slot to FMSAC; and the action in Recommendation 3 will follow shortly. It is our intention that these actions will further encourage the incumbent to early voluntary retirement.

2. Recommendation 4b as discussed in paragraph 2, reference (c): I have reexamined the organizational structure of DDS&T as it affects missile and space intelligence and prefer your option to seek improvement through achieving a better general understanding of the work and responsibilities among the pertinent Offices. As I explained to you in my comments on the Survey, reference (b), I simply cannot see that organizational change would be a productive route, at least for the foreseeable future.

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With regard to DDS&T/DDI "gray areas," it is my opinion that much improvement in mutual understanding and in working relationships has been achieved between the pertinent Offices since the Survey was completed in December 1968. We believe this has been borne out by the manner in which the two Directorates have together discharged the Agency's responsibilities since the inception of the ABM debate in March of this year. The improvement has been achieved by tighter intra-office communication, an example being the regular weekly meetings between D/FMSAC and D/OSR. These were instituted for the purpose of comparing and coordinating currently-assigned work and, also, clarifying relationships between the two Offices during what has been an extremely touchy and fast-breaking situation. We intend to continue along these lines.

3. Recommendation 5 of the Survey as covered in paragraph 4 of reference (c): It is my understanding that my discussions with you and also the Inspector General have resulted in agreement that a Community review, while certainly a worth-while endeavor, would not be appropriate at this time.

4. Recommendations 7a and 7b of reference (a): I believe that the six actions instituted in my Directorate from April 1966 through February of 1969 have done much to meet the specific (7a) and general (7b) recommendations. Our experience since February, particularly with the maturing system of contract teams, convinces me we are continuing to progress toward better management and evaluation of external contracts and, also, toward insuring against duplication of effort.

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